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PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Applicant: CONNER, Scott Eugene

For: BICYCLIC DERIVATIVES AS PPAR MODULATORS

Docket No.: X-16589

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Introductory Comments

Applicants wish to amend the specification and claims of the above-named international application in preparation for the U.S. National phase entry and to place the application in conformance with United States patent practice.

Any fees associated with this amendment may be charged to Eli Lilly Deposit Account number: 05-0840.

Please amend the accompanying application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.